

Village of Chipman
Regular Council Meeting
May 7, 2018
7:00 pm

Attendance: Mayor Carson Atkinson, Deputy Mayor Keith West, Councillor Shaun Ward, Councillor Lindsey Fraser, and Councillor Dan Frenette.

Special Guest: Rev. Betty Jean Friedman

Media: Kelly Bishop (Grand Lake Mirror)

Mayor Carson Atkinson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Disclosure of Conflict of Interest.

Councillor Shaun Ward declared a conflict of interest for all matters related the Chipman Fish & Game Club under correspondence.

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West to adopt the minutes of the April 9, 2018 regular council meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to adopt the minutes of the April 9, 2018 closed meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West to adopt the minutes of the April 19, 2018 special meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to adopt the minutes of the April 19, 2018 closed meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West to adopt the minutes of the April 25, 2018 special meeting. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Shaun Ward to adopt the minutes of the May 3, 2018 special meeting. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Atkinson welcomed special guest Rev. Betty-Jean Friedman.

Rev. Betty-Jean Friedman attended the Council Meeting on behalf of the Chipman Gaspereau Forks Pastor Charge. Rev. Betty-Jean sent a request to Council to have a rainbow crosswalk painted in front of the United Church in Chipman. Rev. Betty-Jean's hope is that the crosswalk will symbolize a warm welcome to the Village and support of the LGBTQ2 community. She asked if this is something the Village will support.

Mayor Atkinson explained that locations of crosswalks have to be approved by the Department of Transportation. Mayor Atkinson read an email that he sent to Mr. George Clifford regarding crosswalks in the Village. Council is awaiting that assessment to come back. Mayor Atkinson also stated that Council is concerned that the Village's existing crosswalks are not being maintained; however Council will take the request under advisement.

Councillor Dan Frenette presented the RCMP report. There were 21 calls within the Village of Chipman. Councillor Frenette will follow up with Sgt. Andre regarding the break-ins as there seems to be a discrepancy in the April Report.

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West to receive the RCMP report as presented. **Motion carried.**

Mayor and Council discussed a service that a Company named "Telmatik" that alerts residents when there is a disaster. They can be alerted by phone, TV or computer. There is a cost to have this service. The company is willing to present a demo presentation if the Village is interested.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser to table the Telematic presentation until they have more information on the service they provide.
Motion carried.

A thank you letter was received from Minlack

A letter was read from Mildred Dale resigning her position on the Welcome Wagon and the Strategic Planning Committee.

Mayor Atkinson spoke to Mildred and thanked her on behalf of Council, and wished her all the best.

One building permit was issued in March.

Councillor Shaun Ward left Council Chambers at 7:25 pm due to a conflict of interest.

On June 16, 2018 the Chipman Fish & Game Club is hosting a fishing derby. They have approximately 75 children attending. The Village has shown their support in the past, and they would certainly appreciate it again this year.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that we donate \$325.00 to the Chipman Fish & Game Club to help with their fishing derby on June 16, 2018.

Motion carried.

Councillor Shaun Ward returned to Council Chambers at 7:30 pm.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Councillor Shaun Ward to accept the Transportation report that the Office Assistant, provided. **Motion carried.**

Mayor Carson Atkinson gave his report. (See attached)

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that the Mayor's edited report be accepted. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West that the Public Works report for April be accepted. **Motion carried.**

Deputy Mayor Keith West gave a verbal Sewerage report. Deputy Mayor West reported some issues with the Lift Station by the Convenience store, but they have since been repaired. This Lift Station is one that is to be retrofitted this year.

Deputy Mayor West reported that four (4) pumping stations plus the plant itself were down due to flooding. We have followed all the proper protocols; this also included notifying the Coast Guard.

Sewerage account arrears were \$2389.57 and \$3720 were paid on current bills in April.

Deputy Mayor West also informed Council that we have a resident in our Village (Betty Garvey) who volunteers for an organization named "Carma" in Fredericton. She has rescued 100 stray and feral cats around the Village. She delivers them to Carma to find them homes.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Shaun Ward that the sewerage report for April be accepted. **Motion carried.**

Councillor Lindsey Fraser gave the Library report. (See attached)

The Chipman Public Library will be hosting Hackmatack nominated author, Helaine Becker, on May 29 at 1:30 pm. The Library and Youth Centre will be partnering together on this event. It will be hosted at the Youth Centre.

The Bowling Alley will be hosting their closing league banquet on June 2, 2018. Their AGM will be on Sunday, August 19, 2018.

The Camp Wegesegum AGM is scheduled for July 14, 2018 at 1:00 pm. The camp is still looking to hire two lifeguards. The camp's opening day is May 19, 2018 at 9:00 am.

The Summer Festival theme this year is "Celebrating Community Spirit". The Committee is looking for nominations for distinguished citizen. Councillor Fraser asks that nominations and the reason for nominating be dropped off to the Village Office. Councillor Fraser invites any organization or individuals to attend the next festival meeting. All are welcome.

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor Keith West that these reports be accepted. **Motion carried.**

No animal issues for the month of April, 2018 were reported.

Councillor Frenette has met with RCMP regarding the break-ins. He will follow up with them by email to check the current status. Councillor Dan Frenette stated that he was very disappointed with the lack of RCMP representation during the flood.

Councillor Frenette helped with the Grand Lake Home and Leisure Show that was held at the Arena. This event was very well received with over 900 people coming through the doors. Many businesses made connections and were very pleased of how well it was organized.

Councillor Frenette also organized the transport of milk and bread to get across on the CN Rail Bus during the flood. Councillor Frenette estimated 100 crates of milk and 1000 loaves of bread were made available to the vendors in the Village.

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser that the verbal report be accepted. **Motion carried.**

Rev. Betty-Jean asked if everyone could get across the CN Rail bus now. It was explained that this is up to the discretion of the Chipman EMO and it would be best to call them at 339-6384.

Councillor Shaun Ward didn't have the Fire Department report that evening, but since has been given a copy. There were three (3) Fire calls that the Fire Department responded to in April.

Bingo has been cancelled for May 8, 2018 due to the flooding. It will restart again next week.

Councillor Ward advised that the Heritage Centre had water in the basement. He would like to Thank Doug Shirley and Logan Briggs, and Village staff for looking after the five (5) pumps 24/7.

Councillor Ward reported that the Village will partner with the Chipman Youth Centre to provide a free recreation program for the Village. He also reported that Ladies Night had to be postponed due to flooding. The event will now be held on May 25, 2018.

The Chipman Fish & Game Club will have their Memorial Turkey Supper on May 26, 2018 this year.

The Department of Natural Resources Hunter Education Courses are still available.

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Fraser that the report be accepted. **Motion carried.**

Rev. Betty-Jean asked a question, if the docks are safe and secure. Councillor Ward assured Betty-Jean that they are safe and tied securely.

Moved by Councillor Dan Frenette and seconded by Deputy Mayor West to transfer \$162,500 from the General Account to the Treatment Plant loan. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Lindsey Fraser and seconded by Deputy Mayor West to transfer the yearly \$700.00 from the Garden Club to the Chipman Communities in Bloom. **Motion carried.**

Councillor Shaun Ward discussed the cell phone that Susan returned upon retiring. Presently Mayor Atkinson is in need of a new cell phone. The new Clerk has expressed interest in keeping her personal cell phone; however she is also using it for work. Councillor Shaun Ward feels that she should be compensated for this

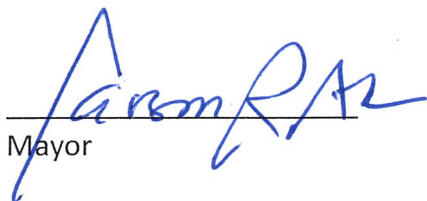
Deputy Keith West moved and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette to table further discussion on the Clerk's cell phone. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that payment of General Fund Bills in the amount of \$94,326.61 be approved. **Motion Carried.**

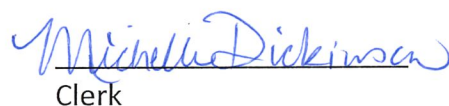
Moved by Deputy Mayor Keith West and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that payment of Sewerage Fund Bills in the amount of \$13,078.51 be approved. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Dan Frenette that a special Thank you to Chanda Klassen be put into the Grand Lake Mirror on such a successful Grand Lake Home & Leisure Show. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Shaun Ward and seconded by Councillor Lindsey Fraser that the meeting be adjourned. **Motion carried.**



Mayor



Clerk